GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:35
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WB/ADB LOAN FOR PMGSY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank and Asian Development Bank have agreed to extend a loan for the Prime Minister Gramin Sadak Yojana;

(b) if so, whether the negotiations regarding terms and conditions for funding the project have since been completed;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the time by which the loan is likely to be availed?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KASHIRAM RANA)

(a) to (d) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

The Statement referred to in Reply to the Lok Sabha Starred Question No.35 admitted for Answer on 22nd July, 2003

(a) to (d) The World Bank and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) have agreed, in principle, to extend loans for the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY). The States proposed to be covered by the World Bank are Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Jharkhand and Himachal Pradesh. The States proposed to be covered by the ADB areMadhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh. Present indications are that the first tranche of the World Bank loan is likely to be of the order of $ 300 million (Rs.1500 crore) and ADB loancould be of the order of $ 400 million (Rs.2000 crore). The World Bank has not yet indicated the likely loan signing date. The likely loan signing date indicated by the ADB Appraisal Mission is November, 2003.